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my ups and downs. Financially they have usually been downs. (Laughter). I have been honored by my fellow citizens with some of the most important offices in the gift of the people of New Mexico. I tried to fulfill them all to the very best of my ability. As a criminal officer I did everything I could to establish law and order in the county of which I was sheriff. And as a member of the New Mexico legislature I voted for economy. I voted against every unnecessary appropriation, and I never accepted a position while I was in that legislature from the governor (applause) nor any recompense except that I could return to my constituents and feel as though I had performed that duty to the very best of my ability.

Nine years ago last April I marched away from your beautiful city with four hundred other citizens of New Mexico to fight the battles of our country. But after Col. Wood and Lieut. Col. Roosevelt then sized us up they concluded that I would make a better horse herder than scrapper. So during the Spanish-American war I was left at Tampa to fight flies, and my friend Muller, my friend Llewellyn and my honored friend who gave up his life for his country in the Philippine Islands went to the front together with three hundred other New Mexicans, and reflected credit upon themselves and the country that sent them there. It was always one of the few things that I had against Col. Roosevelt and Col. Wood that I was compelled to remain at Tampa while my friends went to the front. I think it was on that account that I accepted a position in a subordinate capacity to go to the Philippine Islands. I felt as though I should have a little San Juan hill of my own. (Laughter). I went to the Islands with my regiment, expecting to return with it. But while still in the service I was detailed by the then military governor, General McArthur, as the military governor of a large province. When my time in the army expired Col. Roosevelt wired me offering to secure me a commission in the United States army. I declined that commission, but accepted the civil government of the city of Manila.

All I want to say is that I am not at all ashamed of the record I made in the Philippine Islands, and that when I left there I had the good will of the people, and feel as though I did my share of the duty that the American people are all trying to do in benefiting the Philippine people. No one on earth was more surprised than I was when I received a telegram from the president of the United States asking me if I would accept the governorship of the territory of New Mexico. It came as a complete sur-

prise. I wired back that I could not accept it at that time, as the mission that had been given me in the Philippines was not finished, and I wrote to the president and stated that while I intended to return to New Mexico and felt highly complimented by the offer of this position, I doubted very much my ability to fill it, and I would prefer if he possibly could he would select some one else, but the president insisted on my accepting the appointment, and I did.

I want to be very brief, and say that as long as I am governor of New Mexico I will carry out the policy of Theodore Roosevelt and give the administration the most loyal support that I possibly can. (Applause). That I will do everything that I possibly can to promote the interests of the territory of New Mexico, and the proudest ambition of my life will be to be the last governor of the territory of New Mexico, and that my term will be even shorter than Governor Hagerman's. (Applause and cheers).

I am on the territory like my friend Governor Taylor was on the financial question. He had been away on a lecture tour, and one of the charges against him was that he was not a strong enough silver man. So in his opening speech he stated that he had not been able to give much time to the financial question, but briefly, his position was that he was in favor of the free and unlimited coinage of silver at the ratio of sixteen to one or any other ratio that the people would take it, that he was in favor of gold, in favor of national banks and state banks and if that wasn't money enough he was in favor of a little good counterfeit. (Laughter). He believed that his creditors would take counterfeit. (Laughter). So I believe that I am about in the same position as Governor Taylor. I am in favor of statehood for New Mexico; joint statehood if we can't get any other, but I believe if we all get together and settle our little differences without annoying the president and the other friends at Washington with the little formalities that we ought to settle for ourselves, and go back to that great man, Theodore Roosevelt, and say to him: We accepted your policy before; the people of New Mexico were not a year ago and are not today in favor of joint statehood; they never were in favor of it, but we voted for joint statehood because it was your policy; now Arizona by almost an unanimous vote, refused to become a part of the state of Arizona with us. It is not just to punish us. I believe that that just man in his message to congress will say: "The people of New Mexico are entitled to single statehood." (Applause and cheers). And I will go to Washington at any time and assist the delegate in securing the passage of that bill.

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Fellow citizens, we have all in life got to be judged by our acts. There is no use in us telling you what we are going to do. You are going to judge us by what we do, so I will close my remarks by thanking the good people of New Mexico. I ask you to be patient with me. I ask your support and your help, and if you will give me that I will give you the very best administration that I possibly can. I thank you. (Prolonged cheers and applause.)

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